## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

## <u>Listing of Claims:</u>

- 1. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:
- a first insulating interlayer on a semiconductor substrate;
- a first contact hole formed in the first insulating interlayer;
- a first cell plug on the semiconductor substrate through the first insulating interlayer[[;]], wherein the first cell plug is formed in the first contact hole;
  - a second insulating interlayer on the first insulating interlayer;
  - a second contact hole formed in the second insulating interlayer;
- a silicide contact on a predetermined surface of the first cell plug through the first insulating interlayer; and
- a second cell plug on the silicide contact through the second insulating interlayer, wherein the second cell plug contacts the second contact hole.
- 2. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein the second cell plug is formed of a metallic material with low resistance.

- 3. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 2, wherein the metallic material is a titanium nitride film.
- 4. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 2, wherein the first cell plug is formed of a silicon material.
- 5. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 4, wherein the silicon material is either a monosilicon film or a polysilicon film.
- 6. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein the silicide contact is formed using a metal film.
- 7. (Original) The semiconductor of claim 6, wherein the metal film is formed of titanium (Ti).
- 8. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein the silicide contact is formed directly on the first cell plug through the first insulating interlayer.
- 9. (Original) The semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein the second cell plug functions as a barrier metal layer.

- 10. (New) A semiconductor device comprising:
- a first insulating interlayer on a semiconductor substrate;
- a first contact hole formed in the first insulating interlayer;
- a first cell plug on the semiconductor substrate through the first insulating interlayer, wherein the first cell plug is formed in the first contact hole;
  - a second insulating interlayer on the first insulating interlayer;
  - a second contact hole formed in the second insulating interlayer;
- a silicide contact on a predetermined surface of the first cell plug through the first insulating interlayer; and
- a second cell plug on the silicide contact through the second insulating interlayer, wherein a portion of the second cell plug is formed in the first contact hole.
  - 11. (New) A semiconductor device comprising:
  - a first insulating interlayer on a semiconductor substrate;
  - a first contact hole formed in the first insulating interlayer;
- a first cell plug on the semiconductor substrate through the first insulating interlayer, wherein the first cell plug is formed in the first contact hole;
  - a second insulating interlayer on the first insulating interlayer;
  - a second contact hole formed in the second insulating interlayer;

a silicide contact on a predetermined surface of the first cell plug through the first insulating interlayer; and

a second cell plug directly on the silicide contact through the second insulating interlayer.